

Telegraphic News.

FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, May 28.—The steamer Massachusetts, which left with a flag of truce for City Point on Sunday morning, has returned. She took up Col. Hanson, of Kentucky, who was to be exchanged for Col. Coreoran; also, Capt. Robertson, of Virginia, Lieutenant Whittaker, a private, Mr. Lowe, and a lady. Communication was had with the Confederate authorities at City Point, but the expected Union prisoners were not delivered up, and Col. Hanson and the other officers were accordingly brought back. The flag of truce also brought down Mrs. Wool and three children, who came off in a small boat from the northern bank of the river below City Point.

Col. Hanson is very severe upon Gen. Huger for his failure to perform his promises.

The U. S. transport John Farren arrived to-day from Hatteras. The Union prisoners at Salisbury are now on their way for New York to the number of fourteen hundred. The troops are still at Newbern, in good health and spirits.

The Norfolk Day Book, which was suspended yesterday morning, appeared again in the afternoon, the restriction having been taken off.

In consequence of frequent violations of the orders in reference to trade with Norfolk, new and more stringent orders are to-day issued, prohibiting such trade on pain of the confiscation of the vessel and cargo, and the severe punishment of the persons concerned.

Up to two o'clock to-day, there had been no war news received in Washington.

A letter from the James River Flotilla states that the obstructions between Drury's Point, where the Confederate batteries are, and Richmond, are of such a character that it will take years to remove them, even if they ever can be. Therefore, it would be of no avail to take the batteries, even if the attempt were practicable.

The Rhode Island Legislature met at Newport yesterday. A United States Senator, in place of Hon. James F. Simmons, whose term expires on the 4th of March next, will probably be chosen at this sitting.

Messrs. Neafie and Levy of Philadelphia, are constructing an iron steamship for Baltimore. Its dimensions are 175 feet in length, 30 feet beam, and 10 feet hold.

Brig. Gen. Geo. T. Shepley, Colonel of the 12th regiment of Maine volunteers, has been appointed by Gen. Butler military commandant of New Orleans. Gen. Butler will make his headquarters on the sea coast.

The residence of Gen. Twiggs and Col. Adams, in New Orleans, have both been taken for occupancy by the Federal forces.

The N. O. Delta announces the death of Capt. T. B. Huger, Confederate States Navy. He was commander of the steamer McRae, and was wounded in the battle at Fort Jackson.

The contemplated excursion of Congressmen to New York, has been postponed in consequence of late military movements.

The New England manufacturing interest has succeeded in getting off in the Senate the excise on cotton.

LOCAL.—Warrants were issued yesterday against Messrs. Robert Ashby and R. L. Wood, for selling goods without a license. The cases were carried before S. L. C. Sidebottom and C. W. Nowland. Upon investigation, the warrant against Mr. Ashby was dismissed, and Mr. Wood's case postponed until this afternoon at 3 o'clock. It is said that other persons, under the same charge, will be proceeded against:—in the Common Council, on the 27th, a communication was received from the President of the Alexandria Water Company, in response to a resolution of inquiry passed at the last meeting, which explained the reason for the failure to declare the usual dividend to the stockholders, and gave a full and satisfactory statement of the affairs of the company:—complaint is made of the waste of Cameron water by the improper use of the fire plugs and in other ways:—a negro boy has been arrested charged with stealing a wallet containing \$180, the property of Capt. John Drew, of Charles county, Md.—part of the money was recovered:—the river this morning presented a very quiet appearance. Several steamers passed down early, but very few vessels arrived or departed. The wharves, except where the Washington boats land, wear an unusually inactive aspect:—very few fish are now brought up. Sturgeon are less abundant. Strawberries are becoming quite abundant, but prices have not declined in proportion to the increase:—King street was more lively this morning than for some time past.—There were a good many soldiers on the street, and a number of strangers:—the steamboat Jas. Guy has been repaired and refitted, and is now one of the most comfortable boats on the river:—nineteen runaway negroes, the Marlboro Gazette says, were taken at a fishing landing, in Prince George's county, Md., near Fort Washington, last week, by the civil officers of the county, and carried to the jail at Marlboro.

Gov. Sprague, of Rhode Island, is to come on to the seat of war with the new levies from that State.

The Shakspeare Hotel has been opened in Fredericksburg, by persons from the North.

The flag of the consulate of the Netherlands is not flying in New Orleans.

The cotton in Concordia parish, Louisiana, has been entirely destroyed. In Tensas parish the burning is going on.

Virginia 6's are quoted in New York at 56½.

The weather to-day has been delightful, with a cool and bracing breeze.

DIED.

In New York city, on the 26th inst., MARY HELEN, only daughter of Chauncey Bestor, of Washington.

On the morning of the 13th inst., at Monticello, Prince George's county, Md., Miss BETTIE MORSELL, youngest daughter of B. H. Morsell, esq.

ALEXANDRIA AND WASHINGTON.—The steamer JAMES GUY will run regularly between Alexandria and Washington at the following hours:

Leave Alexandria at 8 and 10 A. M., 12 M., and 2, 4 and 6 P. M.

Leave Washington at 7, 9 and 11 A. M., and 1, 3 and 5 P. M.

Single tickets, 10 cents; round trip to the avenue, 40 cents.

Tickets good on either the James Guy or Thomas Collyer.

my 28—**THOS. STACKPOLE, Captain.**

The Richmond Whig thinks that unless things "can go back to the old habit of telling the truth, and using moderate language, and there is a cessation of the imitation of the bombastical language of the Chinese and the Mexicans, we had better close up the telegraph and newspaper offices."

The Republican Journal, Belfast, Me., in allusion to Mr. Sumner's assertion in one of his orations some years ago, that fortifications, armies, navies and militia systems were useless and should be abandoned, says "radical men are never safe counsellors."

The Ohio State Board of Agriculture offers a premium of \$1,000 to the first person who shall have planted, within the State of Ohio, no less than five acres of sugar beets, and manufactured therefrom no less 5,000 pounds of good brown sugar and a specimen of white sugar of not less than 20 pounds in a single uncompressed block.

The N. Y. Express says: "We have late advices from Corinth, which enable us to state authentically that Beauregard is there and not at Richmond; that Sterling Price, of Missouri, is alive and well, and in command of one of Beauregard's divisions; that Corinth is not evacuated; that Halleck's army is in a good state of discipline. Gen. Mitchell is about 50 miles from Corinth, preventing reinforcements from reaching Beauregard, via the Charleston and Memphis railroad. We have reason to believe that the numbers in the two armies of Halleck and Beauregard are greatly over-estimated, and that the forces are not very unequal."

Gen. Butler advised the officers of the banks in New Orleans to return the specie to their institutions, as it would not be touched. The coin, however, had all been removed.

In the Senate of the U. S. yesterday, a report of the Secretary of the Navy adverse to the completion of the Stevens battery was submitted. The Secretary states that as in the opinion of the Committee of Exports, the vessel would require modifications which are rendered necessary by recent important changes in the art of war, he does not feel authorized to expend in her construction the money already appropriated unless authorized to do so by Congress.

President Lincoln has informed the Senate that it was not compatible with the public interests to furnish that body the information required in regard to the arrest of certain persons in Kentucky.

A letter from Batavia, dated March 31 reports a Confederate privateer steamer, mounted with eight rifled guns, in the China sea. She has been spoken by an English man-of-war.

A committee of students of Harvard College, on Monday waited on Gov. Andrew, and offered him the services of a company from the institution.

The Lowell (Mass.) people, when the news of Banks retreat came along, were so excited that they rang the (church) alarm bells.

The Mississippi is extraordinarily high, and has broken through the levee in various places, both above and below New Orleans.

Deputy Paymaster General Eugens Van Ness, son of the late Judge Van Ness, of New York city, died yesterday, in Baltimore.